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MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

(Department of Transport)

NOTIFICATIONS

MERCHANT SHIPPING

New Delhi, the 1st September 1957

S.R.O. 2783.—Whereas in pursuance of the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Transport (Transport Wing) No. 75-MA(17)/54, dated the 10th June, 1954, all home-trade ships were exempted from the requirements contained in section 25A of the Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923 (21 of 1923);

And whereas having regard to the circumstances prevailing at present in relation to the engagement of seamen at the port of Bombay on home-trade ships of 300 tons burden and above, the Central Government is satisfied that the requirements contained in section 25A of the said Act are unnecessary and ought to be dispensed with only in the case of home-trade ships other than those referred to above;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 289C of the said Act and in supersession of the said notification, the Central Government hereby exempts from the requirements contained in the said section 25A every home-trade ship not being a home-trade ship (a) which is of 300 tons burden and above and (b) for which seamen are sought to be engaged at the port of Bombay.

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S.R.O. 2784.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (5) of section 25A of the Indian Merchant Shipping Act, 1923 (21 of 1923), the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments in the Indian Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Employment Office, Bombay) Rules, 1954, namely:—

In the said Rules,

1. for clause (ii) of rule 2, the following clause shall be substituted namely:—

“2(ii) ‘Board’ means the Seamen’s Employment Board (Foreign-going) or the Seamen’s Employment Board (Home Trade), as the case may be, set up under rule 5.”;

2. in rule 5,

(a) for clause (i) the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

“5(i) The Central Government shall, as soon as may be, appoint, by notification in the Official Gazette, two Seamen’s Employment

Boards—one for foreign-going seamen and the other for home-trade seamen. The first Board shall be known as "Seamen's Employment Board (Foreign-going)" and the second as "Seamen's Employment Board (Home Trade).";

(b) in clause (iv), after the words 'Chairman of the Board' the words 'and, if necessary, a Vice-Chairman' shall be inserted;

3. rule 7 shall be re-numbered as sub-rule (1) thereof, and after sub-rule (1) as so re-numbered, the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), the Director General of Shipping, after consultation with the Board, may prescribe separate conditions of eligibility for registration of seamen desirous of employment only on home-trade ships.";

4. in rule 21, after the words 'Company Rosters' the following words shall be inserted, namely:—

"(Foreign-going) and Company Rosters (Home Trade)";

5. rule 32 shall be re-numbered as sub-rule (1) thereof and in that rule

(a) in sub-rule (1) as so re-numbered, after the words 'eligible for employment' the words 'on foreign-going ships' shall be inserted;

(b) after sub-rule (1) as so re-numbered, the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2) Home-trade seamen shall be issued Muster Cards in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed by the Director General of Shipping after consultation with the Board.";

6. after rule 56, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"56A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Parts III, IV and V of the rules the Director General of Shipping may for such period not exceeding six months with effect from the date of this notification as he may consider necessary, prescribe, after consultation with the Board, such procedure for the registration and supply of home-trade seamen as he may deem appropriate."

[No. 12-MT(52)/57.]

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